# LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6510 DATE PREPARED:** Dec 5, 2000

BILL NUMBER: HB 1394 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Judicial Appointments.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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STATE IMPACT	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		1,012,658	871,658
Net Increase (Decrease)		(1,012,658)	(871,658)

#### **Summary of Legislation:** This bill has the following provisions:

- (A) It requires the judicial nominating commissions, the Governor, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in evaluating candidates for a judgeship, to consider whether appointment of the candidate will allow the composition of circuit courts, superior courts, probate courts, county courts, the tax court, the court of appeals, and the supreme court to more adequately reflect the diversity of the citizens of Indiana.
- (B) It requires the Indiana Judicial Center to annually prepare an analysis on the diversity of the judiciary.
- (C) It adds two justices to the Indiana Supreme Court.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Provision B: The Judicial Center would incur additional staff time and data processing costs in preparing these reports.

Provision C: The total estimated costs of adding two justices to the Indiana Supreme Court are \$1,012,658 for FY 2002 and \$871,658 for FY 2003. Expenditure details are presented in the following table.

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	Per Justice	FY 2002	FY 2003
Salaries	\$115,000		
Annual Subsistence Allowance	\$3,000		
Fringe Benefits (37% of Salaries)	\$42,550		
Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance	\$5,240		
Total Cost per Justice	\$165,790	\$331,580	\$331,580
Law Clerks (3 Clerks per Justice @ \$48,000 per Clerk)	\$144,000		
Fringe Benefits (19.56% of Salary)	\$32,429		
Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance	\$15,720		
Total Cost per Justice	\$192,149	\$384,297	\$384,297
Secretary (1 Secretary per Justice)	\$34,000		
Fringe Benefits (19.56% of Salary)	\$6,650		
Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance	\$5,240		
Total Cost per Justice	\$45,890	\$91,781	\$91,781
Commission on Judicial Qualifications (4 Meetings in FY 2002 at \$1,250 per Meeting)		\$5,000	
Travel and Education Expenses per Justice	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Initial Start-up for Furniture and Computers	\$35,000	\$70,000	
Start-up Costs for a Law Library	\$35,000	\$70,000	\$4,000
Rent	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total Cost		\$1,012,658	<u>\$871,658</u>

### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

### **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

#### **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana Supreme Court.

## **Local Agencies Affected:**

<u>Information Sources:</u> Doug Cressler, Indiana Supreme Court, Jane Seigal, Indiana Judicial Center.

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